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SUBJECT: OECD ROAD RESEARCH PROGRAM, PROPOSED 1978-79  
RESEARCH GROUP

REF: STATE 210719

1. IN ADDITION TO TWO GROUPS PROPOSED IN REFTTEL, THE  
FOLLOWING TERMS OF REFERENCE SHOULD ALSO BE FORWARDED TO  
THE ROAD RESEARCH SECRETARIAT:

EVALUATION OF TRANSIT PERFORMANCE  
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BACKGROUND

WITH THE COST OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OPERATION STEADILY  
RISING, AND WITH DEFICITS ESCALATING AT AN EVEN FASTER  
PACE, THERE HAS BEEN A GROWING EMPHASIS ON INCREASING  
TRANSIT PRODUCTIVITY AND EFFICIENCY AND A GROWING NEED TO

MEASURE AND MONITOR TRANSIT PERFORMANCE AND EFFECTIVENESS  
IN RELIABLE, COMMONLY AGREED UPON TERMS.

TASKS OF THE GROUP

(1) INVENTORY THE MEASURES OF EFFICIENCY AND PRODUCTIVITY  
EMPLOYED FOR THE EVALUATION OF TRANSIT PERFORMANCE IN  
SELECTED CITIES OF OECD COUNTRIES.

(2) EXAMINE RECENT TRENDS IN TRANSIT PERFORMANCE IN THE  
SELECTED CITIES AND ANALYZE THE FACTORS INFLUENCING THOSE  
TRENDS.

(3) RECOMMEND OPTIMUM MEASURES OF TRANSIT EFFICIENCY AND  
PRODUCTIVITY; WITH THE COOPERATION OF UITP AND THE URBAN  
TRANSIT AUTHORITIES INVOLVED, APPLY THESE MEASURES TO  
SELECTED CASES.

(4) IDENTIFY MANAGERIAL AND OPERATIONAL TECHNIQUES WHICH  
HOLD PROMISE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF TRANSIT PERFORMANCE

AND EXPLORE THE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THEIR IMPLEMEN-  
TATION.

(5) RECOMMEND CONTINUING AVENUES OF RESEARCH IN THIS  
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